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SITUATION INFORMATION REPORT

CALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Asterisked items are either reported for the first time, or contain additions or changes to previously reported activities.

*9 October, Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Student Committee for Active Concern, a recognized student organization at the University of Tulsa, is reportedly making plans to demonstrate at the Tulsa International Airport on 9 October when the Vice President arrives in that city. *1/11-11/16006 500-74*

*9 October, Phoenix, Arizona

The Student Mobilization Committee (SMC), which is controlled by the Young Socialist Alliance, held a meeting at Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, on 30 September for the purpose of planning a demonstration when the Vice President visits Phoenix on 9 October. Approximately 120 individuals attended the meeting which was disorganized. Joseph Gerson, a graduate student at the university who has taken part in antidraft activities, stated he had several tickets to the fund raising dinner at which the Vice President will speak and added that some of his, Gerson's, supporters will attend this affair. The SMC plans to demonstrate at the Phoenix Airport and attempt to tie up traffic at the airport. The dinner at which the Vice President will speak is to be picketed. *1/11-11/16589 2000*

11 October, Farragut Square, Washington, D. C.

The Jewish Community Council of greater Washington is sponsoring a demonstration at Farragut Square on 11 October. This will be to protest the "discriminatory policies of the government of the USSR against its Jewish citizens." Fifteen hundred individuals are expected to participate. *1/11-11/16977*

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***11-17 October, Nationwide**

At a press conference held on 5 October at the Youth International Party headquarters in New York, Jennifer Dohrn, a Yippie spokesman, identified the voice on a tape recording as belonging to her sister, Bernardine Dohrn. Bernardine, presently sought by Federal authorities, is a principal leader of the now underground SDS Weatherman faction. The tape recording reflected that the Weatherman faction was responsible for the recent bombing of the statue in Chicago's Haymarket Square and reflected further that next week "begins the fall offensive of youth resistance that will spread from Santa Barbara to Boston, back to Kent and Kansas. Now we are everywhere and next week families and tribes will attack the enemy around the country." The tape recording continued in a threatening tone and dealt with alleged American injustice in various popular areas.

If the Bernardine Dohrn tape recording is in earnest, the targets will probably continue to be municipal police structures.

***12 October, Amarillo, Texas**

Students from West Texas State University at Canyon plan to demonstrate at Amarillo, Texas, during Vice President Agnew's visit to that city. Reportedly demonstrations will be held at the Amarillo Air Terminal and at the civic center.

***15 October, New York City, New York**

The Vietnam Peace Parade Committee has called for actions on 15 October to "take New York City out of the war." Reportedly petitions will be presented to the city council and demonstrations will be held at welfare offices and at the Panther 21 trial relating other issues to the war. A rally will also be staged at city hall.

The Student Mobe is also planning rallies on three New York City campuses for this date. The rallies scheduled at Columbia, New York University and Queen's College are in an effort to build for the major demonstrations on 31 October and to demand that university resources be turned over to the antiwar movement.

***16-18 October, Washington, D.C.**

The George Washington University Women's Liberation will sponsor a series of educational lectures and workshops on 16-18

October on the campus. There will be no admission charge but contributions will be accepted.

*16-18 October, Toronto, Canada

The Canadian Vietnam Moratorium Committee which was recently formed to appear unrelated to any subversive Canadian group will hold a conference on racism and the war on the above dates. Madame Nguyen Thi Binh, foreign minister of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam and chief negotiator at the Paris peace talks, has been invited to attend the conference.

*18-31 October, Nationwide

In a mid-September meeting at the Milwaukee campus at the University of Wisconsin, protest groups including the Trotskyite Young Socialist Alliance and the Communist Party adopted resolutions to hold antiwar demonstrations in major U. S. cities during the last two weeks in October.

*31 October, Nationwide

National Peace Action Day is scheduled for many cities on 31 October. Activities on this date are under the sponsorship of the National Peace Action Coalition. This coalition was begun last June at a Cleveland meeting of the Trotskyite SWP-YSA-Student Mobe. The name was adopted because the Trotskyites have picked up some support from nonstudents. Their plans for antiwar activities have been endorsed by some labor leaders and western Mexican-American radicals.

The cities involved are undoubtedly where significant Student Mobe chapters are located. Those named to date are: Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Twin Cities, New Haven, Racine, Columbus, Tampa, Seattle, Washington, Philadelphia, El Paso, St. Louis, San Francisco, Portland, Los Angeles, Niagara Falls, Salt Lake City, Trenton, Phoenix, Providence, and Lawrence. The total of those demonstrating in all cities will probably not exceed last November's highly successful antiwar rally in Washington that reached about 250,000. It will not be surprising if based on President Nixon's continued efforts to disengage and signs of increasing student apathy for marching that the turn-out will be very disappointing to antiwar leaders.

*19 October, Chicago, Illinois

The SMC is calling for a demonstration near the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago on 19 October during a speech by the Vice President at that hotel. Definite plans have not yet been made by the SMC.

*23-25 October, Voluntown, Connecticut

The Committee for Nonviolent Action, Voluntown, Connecticut, is sponsoring an antiwar conference there on 23-25 October. Participants will include a representative of the BPP. Reportedly the Dept. of Justice will be considered as much a target for disruption as the Selective Service System.

*24 October, Ft. Worth-Dallas Area

The Ft. Worth and Dallas Peace Coalition plans to hold demonstrations during the Vice President's visit to that area. A spokesman for the group stated that Ramsey Clark and Jane Fonda have been invited to participate. The group feels that the President may visit Texas at the same time as the Vice President.

26 October-1 November, International

During a strategy action conference held at Milwaukee from 11-13 September, delegates from the Student Strike Committee at the University of California at Berkeley reported that a week of international protest against the war in Southeast Asia on the above dates would be coordinated by the Berkeley group. Targets of the international protest are U.S. corporations with visibility abroad. General Motors, General Electric, International Telephone and Telegraph, Standard Oil and Pan American Airways have been named as some targets of the protest. These protests which will probably be in the form of demonstrations are being organized in Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Nationalist China (Taiwan), West Germany, South Korea, Thailand, Norway, Sweden, and Denmark.

30 October, Madison, Wisconsin

An article recently published in the underground newspaper, Kaleidoscope, dealt with an account of the recent bombing of the Army Mathematics Research Center at the University of Wisconsin. The newspaper reported that the bombing was perpetrated by an organization

known as the "New Year's Gang" and that dire consequences would follow if University of Wisconsin officials would not grant several gang demands. Among the demands were release of three Black Panthers presently being held in Wisconsin, the abolition of ROTC on the University of Wisconsin campus and elimination of a new curfew for women at the university. Unless these demands are met, the article continues, "revolutionary measures of an intensity never before seen in this country will be taken by our cadres." Included among these measures were open warfare, kidnapping of important officials and assassination. Further details on the composition and political orientation of the "New Year's Gang" are unknown. The entire composition of the group may well have been the four men presently fugitives from justice and accused of the Wisconsin bombing. The demands deadline was 30 October.

*1 November, New York

The New York Third World Coalition is planning an antiwar march through Harlem on the above date.

*4 (11) November, Washington, D. C.

The second session of the Black Panther Party constitutional convention is scheduled for Washington beginning on either the 4th or 11th of November. The site for the Washington convention has not yet been determined but reportedly the Black Panther Party is attempting to obtain use of Washington's National Guard Armory. Washington police estimate that between 20,000 and 25,000 persons will be in attendance for the convention. The first session was held in Philadelphia last Labor Day weekend and was generally regarded as a nonproductive effort. White radicals at Philadelphia numbered approximately 40 per cent and a like number can be expected for the Washington gathering.

*22 November, South Bend, Indiana

A regional strategy action conference, which contains elements of the New Mobe, met at South Bend, Indiana, on 30 September to plan a demonstration against the Vietnam War and unemployment at South Bend on 22 November. Of the 14 individuals present, six reportedly are current members of the Communist Party. Jay Schaffner

stated he was hopeful United States Senator McGovern will attend a planning session at South Bend on the morning of 10 October. This meeting will be a statewide meeting of antiwar elements.

*30 November-2 December, Detroit, Michigan

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War will hold a national inquiry at Detroit to document atrocities committed by U.S. forces against the Vietnamese people.

SOURCE: Government and news media

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